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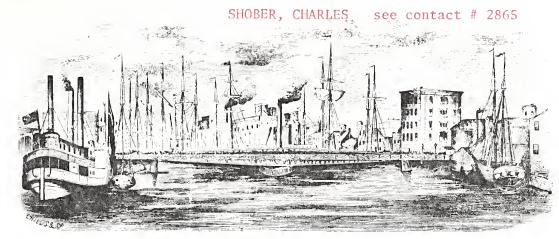
## Artists of Abraham Lincoln portraits

Charles Shober

Excerpts from newspapers and other sources

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Mark E. Nelly, Jr., Director The Louis A Warren Lincoln Library and Museum 1300 South Clinton Street P.O. Box 1110 Fort Wayne, Indiana 46801

Dear Mr. Neely,

I am not sure that the information I have will help you establish the publication priorities of the lithograph Mr. Lincoln. Residence and Horse..., but here is what I found out. The Chicago Historical Society owns one lithograph by Kurz and two by Shober. The Kurz is the same size as the one you mention while the Shober is slightly larger than the measurements you gave me--20 1/2 x 15 1/2 inches. On page 35 of America on Stone, Peters says that the only difference between the two prints is the use of "&" and "and" in the titles. Just to confuse matters, all three of the CHS prints use "and" in the title.

In an article on Kurz published in the Spring 1982 issue of IMPRINT, Thomas Beckman states that during Kurz's early years in Chicago he "not only operated independently, as he had following the alliance with Lane, but also worked for other lithographers and publishers". Perhaps this sheds some light on a possible tie in with Shober.

I am sorry I could not be of more help in this matter.

Sincerely,

Maureen O'Brien Will Assistant Curator Prints & Photographs



